ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

Chairman : I have before me a motion for adjournment by Mr. Thomas Chandy Mukkadan. It runs as follows :

"I beg leave to move for the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, viz., the necessity for adopting immediate measures for improving agriculture and increasing the yield of food stuff by extending agricultural lands in order to meet the scarcity of food materials in the State as a result of the war".

Does the House give leave to the mover for moving this motion.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi : When a question of the same subject matter is being answered, is it in order to discuss the subject as an adjournment motion? The speaker himself has given notice of a question.

Mr. Puthupally S. Krishna Pillai (*Legal Remembrancer*): There is nothing in the Standing Orders which prohibits the discussion of an adjournment motion even though it might form the subject matter of an interpellation. An adjournment motion can be admitted if it satisfies the several conditions laid down in the Rules. It may happen that the interpellation may not be answered in this session at all. It is therefore within the privileges of the Chair to admit or reject the motion

Chairman : In the nature of the explanation given by the Legal Remembrancer, I ask the House whether it gives leave to move the adjournment motion.

The House agreed to the motion being moved.

Chairman : I find that we do not have enough business to take us to the next day.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi : Questions have to be answered tomorrow morning. That is a valuable point.

Chairman : If it is the desire of the House, the motion may be taken up tomorrow.

Mr. Puthupally S. Krishna Pillai : If to-day's business is over immediately, the adjournment motion may be discussed to-day itself.

Sahib Bahadur T. Mahomed Ismail : We can sit to-morrow because questions have to be answered.

Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai : In any case, questions will be answered. That need not stand in the way of the House to grant leave to discuss the motion today.

Mr. James Fletcher : The adjournment motion may be considered tomorrow.

Chairman : If the House agrees we will discuss the motion soon after question time tomorrow.

The motion was carried.

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